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ATTORNEY GENERAL DARRELL McGRAW ANNOUNCES SETTLEMENT, CONSUMER REFUNDS IN HYTRIN ANTITRUST CASE JULY 15 CLAIMS DEADLINE

Consumers who purchased the brand-name prescription medication Hytrin are eligible for refunds from a \$30.7-million nationwide settlement agreement, Attorney General Darrell McGraw announced today. The refunds to consumers and third-party payers in 18 states will be paid by two companies who, the complaint alleged, had conspired to engage in anti-competitive conduct that delayed the availability of a more affordable generic version of the medication.

Under the settlement agreement, which is still subject to final court approval, Abbott and Geneva would provide \$28.7 million for consumers and third-party payers in West Virginia and 17 other states. The most direct way for consumers to obtain claims forms is through the settlement website, http://www.terazosinlitigation.com. Claims forms must be mailed to the settlement administrator no later than July 15, 2005.

The settlement will benefit consumers who purchased terazosin products between October 15, 1995, and March 7, 2005, and amounts of refunds will depend on how many consumers file claims against the settlement fund. The settlement applies to consumers and third-party payers in Alabama, California, Florida, Illinois, Kansas, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Nevada, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, South Dakota, Tennessee, West Virginia and Wisconsin.

Consumers may obtain claim forms from the settlement website, http://www.terazosinlitigation.com; by calling the settlement administrator toll-free at 1-877-886-0283; by calling Attorney General McGraw's consumer hotline, 1-800-368-8808, or by writing to the settlement administrator at:

In re Terazosin Hydrochloride Antitrust Litigation c/o Complete Claim Solutions, Inc. P.O. Box 24607 West Palm Beach, FL 33416

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